

# Primary Care Fund

## What is the Primary Care Fund?

The Primary Care Fund is a distribution of funding to qualified health care providers that provide comprehensive primary care services delivered in an outpatient setting to medically indigent residents of Colorado.

## Who is eligible for funding?

An entity that provides comprehensive primary care in Colorado and:

- Accepts all patients regardless of their ability to pay and uses a sliding fee scale for payments or does not charge medically indigent patients for services;
- Serves a designated Medically Underserved Area or Medically Underserved Population or demonstrates that the entity serves a population or area that lacks adequate health care services for low-income, uninsured persons;
- Has a demonstrated track record of providing cost-effective care;
- Provides or arranges for the provision of comprehensive primary care to persons of all ages. An entity in a rural area may be exempt from this requirement if they can demonstrate that there are no providers in the community to provide one or more of the comprehensive primary care services;
- Completes a screening that evaluates eligibility for Medicaid, the Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) program, and the Colorado Indigent Care Program and refers patients potentially eligible for one of the programs to the appropriate agency for eligibility determination; and
- Is a community health center, as defined in the federal “Public Services Act”; or at least 50 percent of the patients served by the provider are medically indigent patients, patients who are enrolled in Medicaid, or patients enrolled in CHP+, or any combination thereof.

## What is the goal of the Primary Care Fund?

- To support community clinics and primary care providers by awarding funding based on the number of medically indigent patients the provider serves.

## How does a health care provider apply?

Visit the program’s website at:

[http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/primary\\_care\\_fund.asp](http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/primary_care_fund.asp)

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